

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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CHAPTER II filing

Appln. No.: of PCT/ES00/00026

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Examiner: Unknown

For: A PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITION CAPABLE OF REGULATING
THE EXPRESSION OF ADHESION MOLECULES

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner
of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examining the above-identified application, please
amend the application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 1, before line 3, insert

--- This application is a 371 of PCT/ES00/00026, filed
January 21, 2000. --.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 1-7 in their entirety.

Please add the following new claims:

-- Claim 8. (New) A method for inhibiting expression of
an adhesion molecule comprising administering, to a subject in
need thereof, a pharmaceutically effective amount of a
composition comprising a water-soluble fraction from rhizomes of